

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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DETAILS
4-14-03

In re Application of:
Eva Ackerman and Randy Gene Clark

Serial No.: 09/764,572

Filed: January 18, 2001

For: Faceplate with Fire Retardant
Material for an Electrical Box

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Atty. Dkt. No.: 041443-00752

Group Art Unit: 2831

Examiner: Patel, Dhru.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent via facsimile this 9 th day of April 2003 to the phone number indicated by the Examining Group, that being (703) 305-3431, to the attention of the above named Examiner.	
4-9-2003	Jana Walraven
Date	Jana Walraven

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO FINAL REJECTION DATED DECEMBER 31, 2002

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 31, 2002, the period of time with which to respond having been extended to expire on April 30, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please change the title to read as follows: "A METHOD OF ASSISTING A
COMPROMISED BARRIER".

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims:

- 37. A method of assisting a compromised barrier, comprising:
- a) installing into a fire-rated barrier an electrical box, the electrical box compromising the fire resistance of the fire-rated barrier;
 - b) introducing into the electrical box a fire retardant gasket; and
 - c) covering the electrical box with a faceplate.

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